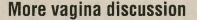
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The campus controversy surrounding the upcoming performance of "The Vagina Monologues" continues with more pro and con comments. Viewpoint 

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### **CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL**

# Poorman adds more social space

### University buys off-campus house for retreats

**By JASON McFARLEY** News Editor

Following an announcement of major renovations to the Alumni-Senior Club, student life officials have made public plans for two additional projects to improve social space options.

Campus Life Council members at a meeting Monday read about the changes in a letter from Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs. The Feb. 6 letter student to body presi-

dent Brooke Norton details dining hall renovations and purchase of an off-campus house for student use.

The Office of Student Affairs is working with Food Services on the planned renovation of the upstairs dining room in South Dining Hall, Poorman wrote. He said Student Activities officials Brian Coughlin and Peggy Hnatusko have been involved in the plans and will likely be in touch with Norton's office for student input, the letter said.

"With the renovation of the dining room we hope to address the need for more 'programmable' space for students and student organizations," Poorman wrote.

He said there would be opportunities for groups to use the room for dances, parties, banquets, performances and meetings.

The room will be available for use in August, he said.

Student Affairs' second initiative is the acquisition of the Creek

House" "With the renovation of located next to the dining room we hope Juday to address the need for Creek just more 'programmable' north of campus space for students and and adjastudent organizations." cent Warren

**Father Mark Poorman** vice president for Student Affairs

> recondition the small house and make it available to students through the Student Activities Office.

Again, it is a venue for 'programmable' space that students can utilize," Poorman said in the letter, encouraging the home's use for short trips away from the University. "It provides an ideal setting for day-long retreats, team-building activities and the like."

He said his office is working with University administrators to complete the project



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JASON McFARLEY/The Observ Campus Life Council members meet in committee Monday to discuss ways to improve student-administrator communication.

by its May target date. The house will be available to students in August.

"It's another good thing for students," Norton said Monday. "I think it's exciting that there are two more venues we can use for social space programming."

### In other CLC news:

Student body president-and vice president-elect Libby Bishop and Trip Foley, respectively, attended the

meeting as guests.

Bishop and Foley, who take office April 1, said they would now begin attending CLC, Executive Cabinet and Student Senate meetings. Bishop begins her term as CLC chair in August, but the two assume leadership of the other organizations in April.

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## **BOG** makes donation to new center

### **By SHEILA EGTS** News Writer

The largest chunk of the Board of Governance budget surplus will be used to donate \$12,000 to the construction of the new student center, the second phase of the Master Plan, the Board announced at its Feb. 11 meeting. Executive treasurer Kim Jensen said this is the largest check that BOG has written this school year.

The large amount of the donation, however, will not limit BOG's ability to provide funds to other purposes. According to Jensen, the \$12,000 donation was taken directly from excess on last year's budget. All Saint Mary's students pay a fee included with tuition that is deposited directly to the operating costs of student government.

This is the students' money and we are giving it back to the students," said Jensen. "The amount of the donation is so large because it is going towards something the entire campus can enjoy instead of just a select few students."

As a voice for the student body, BOG officials wanted the donation to send a message to the administration and the larger population that students are behind the new student center.

Vice president for finance and administration Keith Dennis reported that the \$18.5 million expense for the student center is currently funded at about 70 percent.

President Marilou Eldred was on the road throughout last week talking to a sizable list of potential donors about finalizing dona-

## Harris: Disabled students need equality

to

### **By KATIE RAND** News Writer

**Richard Harris kicked off** ND/SMC Disability Awareness Week with his lecture "Disability Awareness in the

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"Life Goes On"

star to speak

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at ND

Classroom and on Campus" Monday afternoon in Stapleton Lounge.

Harris,

director of the Disabled Student Development Office at Ball State University, has conducted hundreds of presentations regarding disability issues on college campuses throughout the United States.

The discussion he presented at Saint Mary's dealt with the nuts and bolts of the American Disability Act from the perspective of a college classroom. The aim of the lecture was to help students and faculty "think about issues of inclusion and awareness on campus."

Harris began the lecture with a discussion of how America in general tends to deal with people with disabilities.

"I don't know of any country that is as giving and helpful towards people with disabilities," Harris said. "But at the same time, the unemployment rate for Americans with disabilities has been hovering at the 67 percent mark for years.'

unemployment for women with disabilities is in the range of 80 percent.

The basics of how the American Disability Act works are extensive.

"The ADA looks like a building code. It's full of widths that handicapped parking spots need to be, the height of wheelchair inclines, where Braille should be," Harris said. "But it's really not a building code. It's civil rights legislation."

The ADA is a companion to the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which confronted the issue of race, and the 1972 Title IX which dealt with gender.

"ADA is an equal opportunity act," Harris said. "It prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability, but does Specifically, the rate of not grant jobs, good grades

etc because of a disability."

The ADA has nothing to do with giving disabled people special advantages; rather it exists to ensure equal treatment. One main aspect of the ADA is that nothing can be changed at a given institution until a complaint has been brought.

"When a person brings a complaint about an institution, the institution doesn't have a long time horizon to address the problem," Harris said. "If a complaint is never brought, then an institution can remain inaccessible for ever. I would hope that they wouldn't, but they could."

One of the institutions that is challenged on a regular basis is higher education. For

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tions, according to Dennis.

BOG hopes that their donation will help Eldred recruit that funding from outside donors.

"This should be a symbol to the people who have the ability to donate larger amounts that the project is really supported by the students and we need their support as well," said BOG vice president Kristen Matha.

While the fundraising continues, a proposal will be presented to the Board of Trustees finance committee on Thursday to issue College bonds to cover the remaining costs.

According to Dennis, the bonds are necessary because they will be paid back with donations, but the pledges don't usually come in at the same rate as the construction costs go out.

The recommendation will be presented for approval and reviewed by the Board of

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### **INSIDE COLUMN**

# The topic at hand

The Observer Viewpoint is a sounding board for groups and individuals with opposing, irreconcilable differences, and one opinionated letter can provoke passionate objections, as in the recent case of "The Vagina Monologues." Like the issues

**Colleen Barrett** 

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of abortion, the death penalty and parietals, no single bril-liant letter will change a resolved mind; it will simply generate a brilliant retort. Regardless of how convincing or zealous the letter, yet

another person will write in opposing the oppposer.

And so the argument over the morality of "The Vagina Monologues" may seem tedious and rather futile.

But the argument is, for me, precisely the most important part of this monologue. Even as a selfproclaimed liberated woman with high aspirations and no regard for glass ceilings, I do find some of the subject matter of the "Monologues" rather crude and discomforting. I can only imagine what a conservative male student must feel.

Though some of the material might be objectionable, the play was written by women for women in order to further confidence and understanding, not to provide water-cooler jokes. Those who attend the "Monologues" for the liberation, the thought-provoking dialogue, and the eye-opening material will treat it with the respect it deserves - with the respect that women deserve.

Those who go for the entertainment and controversy will certainly find all of the degradation and indignity that has caused so much dissension. And this is one of the major successes of the "Monologues." People are talking. Men and women alike are engaging in conversation that has been long overdue.

Very few people have written The Observer complaining about the tactful and polite Sex Education Videos presented to children in the sixth grade, and I have rarely heard any thoughtful, progressive dialogue about the moral implications of learning where a woman's ovaries are located. The videos were created to serve the purpose of education, and they do so effectively

The objectionable language and material of the "Monologues" is necessary to stimulate conversation. It was created for that purpose and by the responses it has generated, it has obviously done so successfully.

Look back at every letter written to The Observer about the "Monologues." Both sides are present valid arguments, and yet still adamantly disagree. Why?

Because women deserve dignity and respect; because women need confidence and pride in their sexuality; because the woman's body is scared and should be treated with reverence; and because women need to learn to love their bodies without shame. Is any of this false? Are any of these arguments wrong?

The play itself may be objectionable, but the arguments that it brings up on either side of the issue all serve to promote and celebrate females as beautiful and strong. So, if you think the play is empowering, go see it. If you think it is reprehensible, don't

But keep talking about it. Remember that the topic is the value and contribution of women in

### **QUOTES OF THE WEEK**

"After the all-hall meeting on Sunday, we knew it was an inside job. The fact that everyone knew it was missing motivated someone to return some of the money."

> Father John Herman **O'Neill Hall rector**

"We didn't play well at all. No one really stepped it up for our team. Anne (Blair) had a really good game at the end but it just wasn't enough to get us going."

**Katie Miller** Saint Mary's guard on the Belles' loss to Adrian

"We were all pumped up because the Northwestern coach was saying some things we didn't appreciate so we were all gung-ho for the match."

> **Kerry Walton** sophomore epeeist

Compiled from U-Wire reports

### **BEYOND CAMPUS**

### International Yale students return home for service

NEW HAVEN, Conn. "If you don't go to the army in Korea, you're considered a traitor,' Pil-Woon Oh said.

By law, male citizens of the Republic of Korea are required to serve in the army for 26 months. Like many other countries, Korea requires a specified period of military service from its citizens. As the number of international students at Yale rises, more and more Yalies must decide whether or not they will return home to fulfill their military obligations. For many students, a decision to return to serve means interrupting their Yale careers.

This is the case for Yoon Chay who also was born in the Republic of Korea. Although he is fairly certain he will serve before he graduates, he still does not know exactly when he will return home. If he wants to remain a

### **KENT STATE UNIVERSITY**

### Hacker accesses student numbers

### **KENT**, Ohio

Using a fairly simple computer program, a University of Akron student has accessed student and employee Social Security numbers, e-mail addresses and first and last names. The accounting student used the program he wrote himself after he found a glitch in the Kent State University Web site. He said individuals with a background similar to his could have done the same thing. University officials are working to correct the problem. Roger, the student, asked his last name not be used for fear of prosecution. He was using the program and university Web site to e-mail about his business. He said he sent 37,000 messages to Kent State students and employees after logging in with one of the Social Security numbers he obtained. Most of the people Roger found information about did not know he had obtained it.

Daily Kent Stater

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Korean citizen, Chay must serve for two years and two months before he turns 24.

Most of his friends back in Korea already have joined the army. For Chay, one difficulty with leaving midway through his college career is by the time he returns to Yale, most of his friends will have graduated.

"I'm already one or two years older than most of the kids," Chay said.

## **UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN**

### Schools face enrollment cuts

### MADISON, Wis.

The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and Green Bay are being forced to cut enrollment due to reduced budgets. Most schools in the UW System, including UW-Madison, are allowed modest annual increases in enrollment under the Board of Regents' enrollment management plan. The regents plan an increase of 5,300 full-time students by 2006 for all the UW schools combined. UW has been allocated a 400-student enrollment increase for next year, but the largest increase will take place at UW-Milwaukee, with a projected gain of 2,554 students. The board's enrollment management plan, referred to as EM-21, is an effort officials say will ensure each student receives an adequate education with the funds available for each school. The regents now must consider how to compensate for Gov. Scott McCallum's proposed UW System budget reduction of

\$51 million.

"When I come back, all of my classmates will be gone. It will be hard making friends.

Oh, on the other hand, who has decided to serve after graduation, is wary of the harsh demands placed on soldiers in the Korean army.

"Although beatings and violence have supposedly decreased over the years, they're still there," he said.

Tomer Posner already has served his required tour of three years in the Israeli military, working in technolo-gy, research and development. While acknowledging some people were forced into jobs that were "not so pleasing," his experience was very positive.

For Posner, whose entire family lives in Israel, avoiding military service was never an option.

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today's society. Women will continue to realize and exceed their potential.

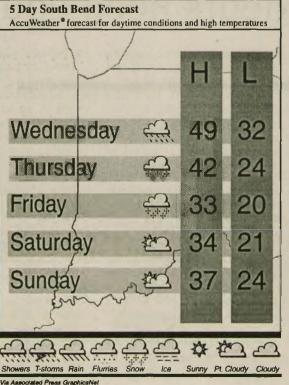
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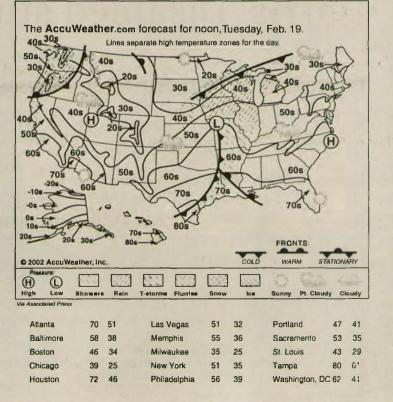
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# Lesbian minister promotes diversity, spirituality

### By ALLISON ROCHE News Writer

Higher education is at its best when it is unruly, according to Rev. Jennifer Walters whose keynote address kicked off Sisterhood Week at Saint Mary's Monday. Her address explored how truth and wholeness are found amid unruliness and diversity.

The goal of Sisterhood Week is to make the Saint Mary's community more inclusive, regardless of differences.

"It is a week intended to provide information, history and entertainment around lesbian, bisexuals and straight women in the community," said Astrid Henry, professor in the English and women's studies departments.

As dean of religious life at Smith College, Walters had a unique perspective to share on the week's theme, "Sisterhood Beyond Boundaries: Lesbian, Bisexual and Straight Women in Community."

Walters is an Episcopalian minister who also came out of the closet 22 years ago. She spoke very positively of the dignity provided by women's educational institutions.

"Women can affirm one another in ways that cannot happen in other environments," Walters said.

Walters emphasized solidarity among women, regardless of boundaries based on race or sexuality. She said that diversity functions to make people feel whole. Her experience at a secular institution like Smith College has shown her the problems of not addressing the spiritual side of sexuality.

"Avoiding looking at spirituality

silences wholeness," Walters said. Walters pointed out that whether at Smith College or Saint Mary's, ignoring spirituality is especially devastating for lesbian and bisexual women given the shame that often accompanies their coming out.

"At a secular college and at a religious college, you end with the same result: women who think that God doesn't love them," Walters said.

Finally, Walters suggested that the final solution for college campuses is to take risks. Faculty and students need to risk entering into conversations about religion and sexuality to get over differences and "move on."

The questions and discussions raised by faculty members and students in the audience after Walters' address focused on the conflict between administration and students over "The Vagina Monologues" being barred from campus.

Sisterhood Week continues with tonight's showing of "If These Walls Could Talk, 2," a film depicting the lives of three lesbian women from different eras, at 7:30 p.m. in Madaleva.

"The Celluloid Closet," a documentary about Hollywood's depiction of gays, lesbians and bisexuals, will be shown on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Moreau.

The week will conclude on Sunday at 4 p.m. in Moreau with a panel composed of five alumnae, representing different eras, who will share their experiences with sexuality at Saint Mary's and beyond.

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Rev. Jennifer Walters speaks at Saint Mary's Monday as part of Sisterhood Week.

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example, most colleges and universities encourage both genders and every race to study in whatever major they choose. Females are now encouraged to study technology, science and other subjects that were not open to them years ago. However, that is

not always the case with people with disabilities. "There are

lots of obstacles that do not apply to gender or race that still exist with people who have disabilities," Harris said.

Harris said that when

addressing students with disabilities, people should put the template of race or gender over the issue and then decide. For example, when trying to decide if a disabled student should study abroad, think of it in terms of if a women or a Native American should be granted that right, then decide. Harris thinks that chances are, our decision would be altered. In an academic setting, Harris suggests following a simple phrase.

"What you do for or offer any of your students, you must do for or offer disabled students," Harris said.

Harris also gave a talk on Monday night called "Disability Humor — An Important Bridge," aimed more towards students. The presentation was meant to explore the use and misuse of humor relative to disability. Harris used jokes, cartoons and other visual aids to instruct students about attitudes towards disabled students and the possibility of using humor to overcome the discomfort gap.

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Richard Harris director of the Disabled Student Development Office at Ball State University

> absolutely important to be supportive of Disability Awareness week," said Michelle Nagle, student body president. "As student leaders it's so important to support endeavors like that. We all need to learn more about the topic."

> The event was sponsored by the Justice Education Department, Student Diversity Board and the Logan Center. ND/SMC Disability Awareness Week continues today with the student led discussion "Disabilities at ND" at 8 p.m. in the Coleman-Morse Center.

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## **MPAACT performs monologues**

### Production by Afrikan group deals with social issues

### By SARAH NESTOR News Writer

A troupe of actors performed a series of monologues at Saint Mary's Monday highlighting the black experience of women and childbirth, men, family relationships and race relations.

The Ma'at Production Association of Afrikan

Centered Theatre pulled the monologues from "The A l i b i Transcripts" a book of original productions that the group has put on during the last 10 years.

"It comes from the mouths of people who come from the world that we all live in," Reginald Lawrence, executive director, said.

MPAACT was formed in 1990 by a group of students from the University of Illinois -Urbana/Champaign, who bonded together to share their knowledge of African and African-American culture.

The first four excerpts came from "Women, God and

Baby Making." The four monologues dealt with the pain of childbirth, finding comfort in God during pregnancy, the dehumanizing aspects of modern medicine and a view of God as a pimp who offers gifts and then takes them away.

One of the monologues from a man's point of view dealt with his experiences as a slave in Kentucky while two others detailed experiences with war.

The monologues about family explained several different issues. O n e

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Reginald Lawrence executive director of MPAACT

thought I was a stup i d woman. How does a stupid woman keep from raising a daughter as stupid as herself," Sharlet

Webb said. Then the monologue told of a son whose mother has died and must now deal with his father and the realization of his own sexuality as a homosexual.

The final section of the performance discussed the relationships between whites and blacks.

The first excerpt was from

a male slave's perspective and how he learned to deal with white men.

"I learned early to tickle a white man. You're supposed to keep him laughing, all the while you'll be laughing at him," Terry Cullers said.

Another excerpt dealt with a woman who grew up telling her father about all the white girls from school who she thought of as her friends. He told her that they weren't her friends.

Today she has lost all contact with her supposed friends.

Another excerpt dealt with a man who found himself crossing the street when he saw white people ahead of him and doing other little deeds to preserve the conscious of white people. As a large black man following behind whites and intimidating them, he became concerned with their psychology so he would cross the street to give them comfort.

Fusing a mix of writers, actors, directors and musicians into a theater is how MPAACT performs its unique blend. Performing pieces that tackle the issues of race, gender, economic standing and religion the company offers an examination of society.

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**SUPER SAVINGS!** 

'Life Goes On' star to speak at ND

#### Special to The Observer

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Trustees on Friday.

Actor Chris Burke, formerly of the television series "Life Goes On," will deliver an inspirational keynote address on the potential of people with disabilities Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Notre Dame's Stepan Center.

The talk is free and open to

the public. The talk is the highlight of Disability Awareness Week at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.

Burke is best known for his role as Corky on "Life Goes On." Burke, who has Down

Syndrome, also has made numerous appearances in television movies, series and public service announcements.

A spokesperson and advocate for people with Down Syndrome, he also started a musical trio in 1994, which has released three albums and appeared on top television programs and at music festivals.



Attention: Campus Bands

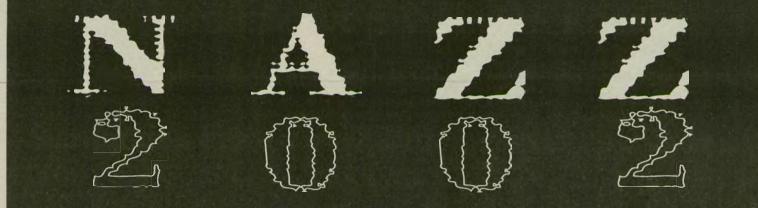
Think you know how to rock?

"The [BOG] donation will clearly be a strong signal to the trustees that the project is supported by the students," said Dennis who anticipates approval from the trustees. "It will let them know that the student center should be on the top of the priority list."

If approved, the construction of a new dining hall is scheduled to begin in April and continue for 14 months. The construction of the student center is projected tentatively to begin in July, 2003.

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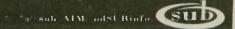
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# WORLD NATION

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### WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Queen visits Jamaica: Queen Elizabeth II arrived Monday on a visit to Jamaica, where she remains ceremonial monarch but citizens are increasingly questioning their centuries-old ties to the crown. She was met on a red carpet at Kingston's international airport by Prime Minister P.J. Patterson and Gov. Gen. Howard Cooke.

Militants march in Zimbabwe: Thousands of ruling party militants marched through Zimbabwe's capital and hurled stones at the opposition headquarters on Monday as the European Union voted to impose sanctions on the violence-wracked African nation. An opposition-aligned group accused police of beating several of its members in a separate incident ahead of presidential elections next month.

### **NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

U.S. pays \$80 million to Pakistan: The United States paid Pakistan \$80 million for providing logistical support to its forces in the war against terrorism, Finance Ministry officials said Monday. Finance Secretary Yunous Khan told The Associated Press that the \$80 million already received are for use of airports, power supply, water and other resources in support of military operations in Afghanistan.

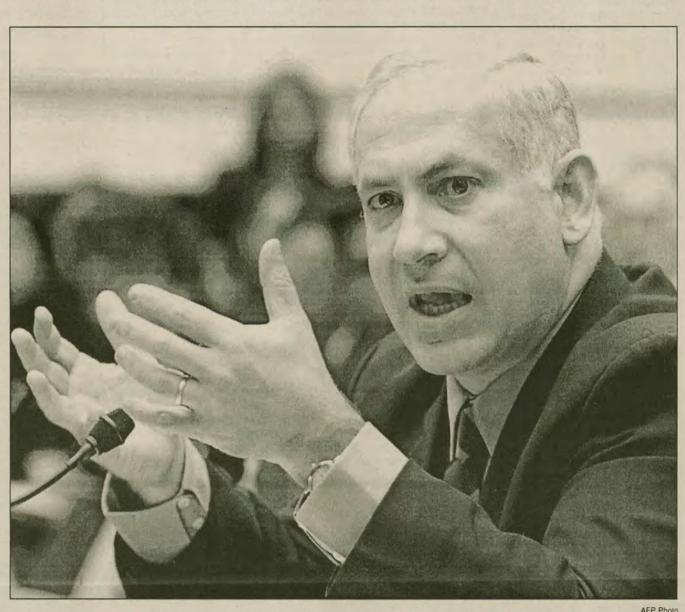
**Dolls getting more racially diverse:** Toy makers are taking note with new doll lines that are more diverse than ever, including the first multiracial Barbie, which was on display last week at the American International Toy Fair in New York. Some

dolls of different races and ethnicities, including black Barbie, have been around for years. But industry experts say an increased demand and awareness of other cultures has spawned a new wave of diverse dolls.

### **INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS**

13 arrested in marijuana ring: A local drug task force on Sunday arrested 13 people and seized vehicles, homes and other property in an investigation into a marijuanadistribution ring. Officers from Peru, Miami County and the state police seized three homes, 10 vehicles, one snowmobile, computer equipment and firearms, along with thousands of dollars in cash and four pounds of marijuana. Indiana Department of Revenue officials will be called in to review whether some of those arrested should face tax-evasion charges.

### **ISRAEL**



Former Israell Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu speaks at an interview. Netanyahu has called for the removal of Yasser Arafat and the destruction of the Palestinian Authority.

## **Netanyahu calls for Arafat's removal**

### Associated Press

**JERUSALEM** Exuding confidence that he will return to power, former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Monday that Israel must remove Yasser Arafat and destroy the Palestinian Authority — perhaps via military assault — before

peace talks can resume. In an interview with The Press, Associated Netanyahu said he has no qualms about challenging Ariel Sharon, a sitting prime minister from his own Likud Party, and that he was gratified by polls showing Israelis — who

sent him packing in a 1999 election — now give him widespread support.

Netanyahu, 52, has been speaking throughout the United States and Israel, and has criticized Sharon for stopping short of what Netanyahu believes is the only way to end terror attacks against Israelis the removal of Arafat.

"The goal is to defeat the terror regime, to effectively bring it down," he said at his wellappointed office in a modern high-tech complex in Jerusalem. "And that goal is easily attainable." wasn't suggesting Israel structure that has been

physically harm Arafat. But instead of restricting Arafat to his compound in the West Bank town of Ramallah as Sharon has done, the Palestinian leader should be allowed to leave - but not to return.

"He keeps wanting to go abroad - I think we should not hinder him from doing SO. Netanyahu said. "I would very much like to see him have a happy retirement with his friends from Tripoli ... with his friends from Baghdad." established in the West Bank and Gaza, which would be "a very simple thing to do, not very complicated and not very costly," Netanyahu said.

He was evasive about the exact steps he would take, but hinted strongly at a large-scale military operation: "Israel has not used a fraction of a fraction of the means that it has available, as you can imagine."

Netanyahu said deterrence would no longer work with the Palestinian leadership, because "at this point Arafat is already in 'Never-Never-Land.

The market was closed Monday due to President's Day.

Israel also should elimi-Netanyahu said he nate the terrorist infra-

# Feds take over airport security

#### Associated Press

CHANTILLY, Va. Airline passengers had their airport routines sharply altered after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, and now the way they're protected has changed as well.

The new Transportation Security Administration took over responsibility for airline security Sunday, the first step toward a system where better-trained, higher-paid federal employees screen passengers and luggage.

The new system received two early

### tests Monday.

At Los Angeles International Airport, an inactive Army National Guardsman tried to pass an nonfunctioning military explosive through airport security and was arrested. A screener became concerned after noticing the device, which resembled an M-80 firecracker, said Sgt. Greg **Glodery of the Los Angeles Police** Department. A Federal Aviation Administration official said the device was found in the man's carryon luggage.

At New York's La Guardia Airport, a flight that had left for Cleveland

was forced to return after it was discovered that one passenger had not been properly screened, FAA spokesman Laura Brown said in Washington. A concourse was evacuated and passengers were screened again after the flight returned.

Passengers at Washington Dulles International Airport were pleased with the changes, even if security is tougher.

Tanie Guy, an Oracle Corp. employee, now arrives two hours early at the airport. "They're a bit stricter, to say the least," he said before going through security.

## Tape shows firefighter's courage

#### Associated Press

NEW YORK

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John Vigiano

The firefighters' movements are calm as they arrive at the burning north tower of the World Trade Center. Their eyes grow wide as the magnitude of their mission becomes clear. Then come the thumps - one after another - and a voice saying that people are jumping.

The horrific noises continue as the videotape shot by two French filmmakers keeps rolling: A drone followed by a sudden bang

accompanies the image of second a plane slamming into the south tower and later, a white noise builds to a crescendo as that tower collapses and people for run cover.

The tape by brothers Gedeon and Jules Naudet is an extraordinary account of courage and dread, of composure under pressure and of the cataclysmic moments that, for many of the men captured on it, were their last.

It has made the rounds of New York firehouses since Sept. 11 and was recently reviewed by The Associated Press. CBS plans to air footage on March 10 to commemorate the six-month anniversary of the attacks.

"When I sat down to watch this video, I was very apprehensive," said John Vigiano, a retired firefighter whose sons, firefighter John and police Det.

Joseph, died in the attacks. "But when I was finished watching it, the overwhelming emotion I had was pride.'

The fire department is using the tape as an investigative tool, but it also contains historical significance and great personal meaning, spokesman Francis Gribbon said. Rights to the tape belong to the Naudets, who have worked closely with the department on its use.

"They've been very sensitive to the families and the fact that they've had this footage of a significant number of people who per-ished that

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> The opening shot has been seen by millions. The camera, taping firefighters checking a gas leak in lower Manhattan, pans up and captures the first plane slamming into the north tower.

Most of the footage was shot by Jules, who accompanied firefighters to the north tower where they set up their first command center.

What happens over the next two hours has not been seen by the public.

As Jules and firefighters race to the scene, someone asks, "What kind of plane was that?" Joe Pfeifer, chief of Battalion 1, answers: "That looked like American Airlines. That looked like a direct attack."

Top fire officials gather to coordinate their strategy in the lobby as the tower's occupants, seen as silhouettes on the mezzanine level above, stream out of the building. Pfeifer tells a firefighter: "Don't go any high-er than 70."

Members of Rescue 1, a specialty rescue unit, can be seen heading toward the stairwells to walk up the tower as thousands of people head down. No one from that unit made it out alive that day.

Then the south tower is hit. Startled, firefighters rush to the windows to look outside. More debris falls. "Mayday! Mayday!" blares over the radios. The thumps continue and sirens wail.

Fire Chaplain Rev. Mychal Judge, dressed in full firefighting gear with his white collar peeking out, paces the floor. Firefighters watch him, as if seeking reassurance. Judge would be dead within the hour.

The call comes over the radio: "Everybody come out now. All units in Tower 1 (the north tower), get out now."

Pfeifer struggles with his radio, trying to get a clear sig-nal. Radio problems plagued the department that day, firefighters later reported.

A Port Authority officer frantically presses buttons on the elevator switchboard. "Is any-one in the car?" he asks over and over.

And then it happens.

With a roaring "ssshhh," the collapses. south tower Everyone in the north tower runs for cover and the tape goes blank. When it comes back on, the lens is covered in ash and it is dark everywhere.

Pfeifer lived, but 21 of his men died that day.

# School attempts to ban Muslim scarf

### Scarf has stirred nationwide debate

**Associated Press** 

**SPAIN** 

SAN LORENZO DE EL ESCORIAL

Fatima Elidrisi, a 13-year-old Moroccan girl who insists on wearing a Muslim headscarf to school, arrived for classes Monday to the clicking of cameras, applause from her new classmates and the watchful gaze of Civil Guards officers.

The girl's traditional hijab scarf has stirred a nationwide debate in this predominantly Roman Catholic country

Accompanied by her father, Ali El Hadi, 35, and representatives of immigrant support groups, Fatima was greeted by Delia Duro, director of the Juan de Herrera School.

Fatima's father covered her face in an attempt to hide her from photographers among some 50 journalists who showed up at the school in this ancient town, about 25 miles northwest of Madrid.

Controversy over Fatima began last week when the director of Juan de Herrera, a secular public school, said she would not be allowed to wear the hijab, a traditional headscarf worn by many Muslim women in public. The school was overruled Saturday by the Madrid regional government, which said the obligation to give her an education took precedence over the issue of the scarf

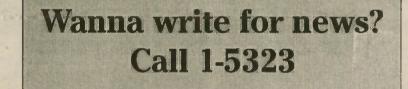
Fatima was accepted at Juan de Herrera after a semiprivate Roman Catholic school she first had been assigned to insisted she wear a uniform and remove the hijab.

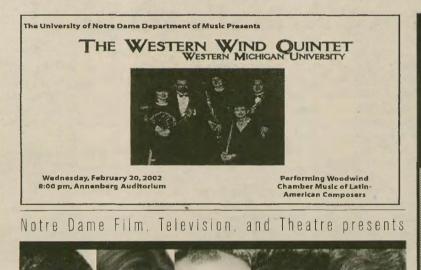
The issue has received frontpage coverage in Spanish newspapers and generated hours of debate on radio and television

Initially Duro, the school director, said the hijab was a symbol of discrimination against women that could not be accepted in a secular educational system. The country's education and ministers agreed.

Those who came to the girl's defense said the issue of her hijab demonstrated Spanish intolerance and ignorance of other cultures. They pointed out that the hijab was already accepted without problems in many schools in Spain.

The Madrid regional government called for a commonsense approach and said it would consider drawing up legislation to avoid future such cases.





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# Doctors research bypass surgery

### Associated Press

DALLAS Women under age 50 are three times more likely than men to die after undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery, new research sug-

gests. A study led by Dr. Viola Vaccarino of Emory University in Atlanta examined 57,187 patients, 30 percent of them women, who had bypass surgery at 23 medical centers across the country between October 1993 and December 1999.

Among patients ages 50-59, 2.6 percent of women died,

compared with 1.1 percent of men. Among patients 80 and older, 9 percent of women died compared with 8.3 percent of men.

The study found that the difference decreases with advancing age.

"It's a puzzling result," Vaccarino said. "We're not able to explain the difference based on our data. It could be a factor we didn't know about or test for."

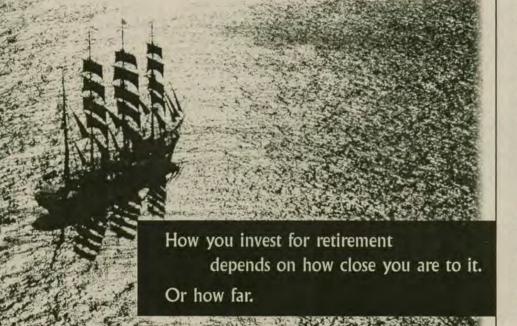
Overall, 5.3 percent of the women died in the hospital, compared with 2.9 percent of the men. Of the women younger than 50, 3.4 percent died, compared with 1.1 per-

of cent of men.

Vaccarino theorized that women tend to have more preexisting illnesses, including stroke and heart failure, and are usually referred for surgery when their heart disease is more severe.

Because women have smaller arteries than men, she said, bypass surgery is more difficult to perform and, therefore, more stressful on women.

"It's probably a combination of those factors," she said of the findings, published in Tuesday's issue of the journal Circulation. "Whatever the case, though, younger women usually have a worse outcome."



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## Study: Fewer medical tests may be fine

### Associated Press

WASHINGTON It seems almost every week brings a new headline: Get diabetes tests at younger ages. Seek annual thyroid exams. Get screened for prostate cancer. Oh, and don't forget to check for kidney disease.

Specialty medical groups and patient advocates are urging more and more seemingly healthy Americans to get screened for early signs of numerous diseases. After all, spot an illness early and often you can fight it better.

But how much testing does the average symptom-free person really need?

Not all that much, is the surprising answer from the expert panel that sets the nation's primary care standards.

Even that traditional checkup where "all of us go in and just get checked from soup to nuts" isn't needed every year for many people, says Janet Allan, cochair of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.

And several often-recommended tests, such as prostate cancer screening or bone-density tests, actually are controversial because of mixed studies about their benefit. In fact, studies by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cite only a handful of screenings — for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers, high blood pressure and high cholesterol — considered most essential.

Testing isn't always the best preventive care, adds Allan, dean of nursing at the University of Texas, San Antonio. The counseling that busy health workers often forget or bypass is crucial.

For example, most of Americans' leading diseases are related to smoking, poor diet, little exercise and risky sexual practices. Yet a recent analysis by Georgetown University's Center on an Aging Society found only about half of adults even were asked about such risk factors during their last doctor's exam.

Customizing preventive care to

adjust for risks that patients can change — and those they can't, like a family history of disease is slowly overtaking the more typical mass appeals to screen millions for everything. That means consumers must have a regular doctor who knows their health history intimately — a "medical home" — to ensure they get the right tests at the right time, says Dr. Edward Hill, a Tupelo, Miss., family physician and chair-elect of the American Medical Association's board.

But is there a checklist to ensure consumers get the most essential tests? Allan's task force is an independent panel charged by the government to come up with such a master list. It now is reevaluating the latest research for a six-month rollout of updated advice.

Here's the checklist so far for people at average risk of disease: Cholesterol testing: every five years starting at age 35 for men and age 45 for women, to check total cholesterol and the "good" HDL type and "bad" LDL type, but not triglycerides.

Anyone at high risk of heart disease — a smoker, a diabetic, someone whose parent died of heart disease before age 50 or who has high blood pressure needs cholesterol testing starting at age 20, Allan cautions.

• Regular checks of blood pressure, whether by a doctor or more accessible spots like drugstores, and oral health.

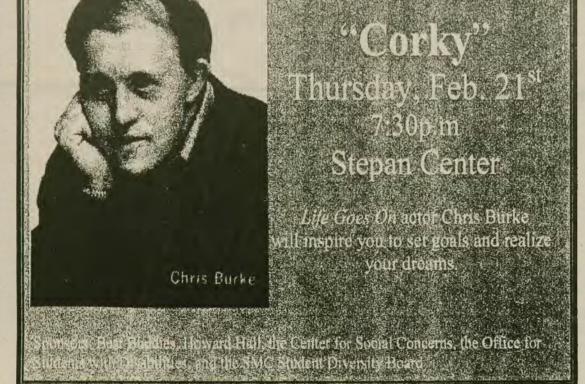
◆ To detect colorectal cancer, an annual fecal occult blood test for men and women starting at age 50. Also, they need a more invasive exam — a sigmoidscopy or colonoscopy — once or twice a decade.

◆ For women, a Pap smear to check for cervical cancer every one to three years. Also, a mammogram every year or two starting at age 50. But mammography has suddenly become embroiled in debate — some scientists challenge its effectiveness while others urge earlier testing — so the panel is reexamining it.
 ◆ Young women who have had more than one sexual partner

need testing for chlamydia.

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### ITALY

## Tunisian terror suspect trial begins

#### Associated Press

MILAN Three Tunisians accused of cooperating with Osama bin Laden's terrorist network went on trial Monday in a heavily guarded courtroom on charges they supplied false documents and belonged to a criminal group that tried to traffic in arms and explosives.

Prosecutor Stefano Dambruoso, who is leading Italy's investigation into Islamic terrorism in northern Italy, told the court he wants to prove the men were part of an international ring that "referred directly to al-Qaida."

The Tunisians were detained during a major probe into suspected Islamic terrorist cells last year. They are charged with criminal association with the intent to obtain and transport arms, explosives and chemicals and with supplying false documents.

Defense lawyers argued that the defendants — Riadh Jelassi, Mehdi Kammoun and Adel Ben Soltane — may have committed some illegal acts, such as the use of counterfeit documents, but not terrorist crimes.

"They are small fishes," said lawyer Gianluca Maris. "Investigators were seeking terrorists with arms and bombs. They found a modest amount of counterfeit documents."

Judge Ambrogio Moccia rejected a defense request to have the trial moved out of Milan, where Italian investigators say a cell linked to al-Qaida operated. The defense says the men were arrested in a town outside Milan, not the

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city itself.

Dambruoso asked permission to call witnesses from a long list that included German, Spanish, French and Belgian

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mis- other defendants, who were m a handcuffed as they were ded escorted to benches, a handful and of prison guards hovering with pistols as they sat down. Three

"Investigators were seeking terrorists with arms and bombs. They found a modest amount of counterfeit documents."

> Gianiuca Maris defense lawyer

a n d after the Sept. 11 attacks. The judge said he would permit the testimony but that a limited number of investigators could appear.

Dambruoso also named as a possible witness Ahmed Ressam, an Algerian who was arrested in 1999 as he tried to enter the United States in a car with a trunk full of explosives and convicted of planning to commit acts of international terrorism. U.S. investigators say he was trained in terrorist camps financed by bin Laden.

Defense lawyer Antonio Nebuloni told the court he wanted to call as witnesses former Italian Foreign Minister Lamberto Dini and former U.S. Ambassador Thomas Foglietta. He said he sought Foglietta's testimony was sought because of an alleged terrorist plot against the U.S. Embassy in Rome in January 2001.

In the courtroom, Kammoun was locked inside an iron-

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ards hovering with pistols as they sat down. Three paramilitary police guarded the entrance, and in an unusual sign of tight security, a plainclothes policeman stood b e h i n d

Dambruoso. Dambruoso, who conducted the pretrial probe and asked

for the indictments, has said the defendants were not directly connected to the Sept. 11 attacks but are believed linked to al-Qaida.

Four other men arrested as part of the same probe went on trial earlier this month in Milan on similar charges. One of them is Essid Sami Ben Khemais, a Tunisian man Italian police believe was sent from Afghanistan to supervise bin Laden's terrorist operations in Europe.

Dambruoso described Ben Khemais on Monday as the "major defendant" in Milan. Italian investigators suspect he was supervising the planned attack on the U.S. Embassy, but he has not been charged with that.

Defense lawyers for Ben Khemais and his three codefendants sought and received a fast-track trial that would allow for a reduced sentence if they are convicted, with Ben Khemais facing up to six years.

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## **Prosecutor compares** doctor to drug dealer

"You've got to realize

something's wrong when

outside your office people

are having tailgate

parties."

**Russell Edgar** 

assistant state attorney

#### Associated Press

MILTON, Fla. A doctor on trial for the deaths of four patients who overdosed on OxyContin is no different from a drug dealer, a prosecutor said Monday in closing arguments.

Witnesses testified that crowds of patients ate lunch or worked on their cars in the parking lot of Dr. James Graves' office, giving each other high fives when they came out with prescriptions, assistant state attorney Russell Edgar said.

said. "You've got to realize something's wrong when outside your office people are having tailgate parties," Edgar said.

Graves, 55, testified that he did not know his

patients were abusing drugs and said no one would have died if OxyContin had been taken as prescribed.

"OxyContin is a good drug if it is taken properly," said defense lawyer H.E. Ellis Jr. "Pharmacy companies don't spend billions of dollars developing drugs if they are going to kill people."

But prosecutors contend Graves knew or should have known that his booming practice was made up largely of drug addicts seeking prescriptions for OxyContin and other narcotics popular on the street.

The six-member jury is expected to begin deliberating Tuesday. A guilty verdict would make Graves the first doctor in the nation convicted of manslaughter or murder in the deaths of patients due to OxyContin overdoses.

Graves is charged with racketeering, four counts of manslaughter through culpable negligence and five counts of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance. If convicted on all counts, Graves could face up to 30 years in state prison.

Edgar said Graves needed money after he was forced out of the Navy and fired from jobs at a Pensacola pain clinic and a state prison. He said the money rolled in as patients, most paying cash, returned repeatedly to

feed their addictions.

"W o r d spread that he was the go-to doctor," Edgar said. "He's no different than a drug dealer." Ellis admitted that G r a v e s' record keeping was poor,

ing was poor, but said jurors would find evidence of a doctor practicing medicine, not indiscriminately prescribing drugs.

OxyContin is a 12-hour synthetic opiate. Addicts defeat the time delay and get a heroin-like high by chewing the pills or crushing them and then injecting the drug.

Two dozen pharmacists testified they stopped filling what they called "Graves cocktails" that included Lortab, another painkiller, the tranquilizer Xanax and the muscle relaxant Soma besides OxyContin.

"Each one of these were popular street drugs," Edgar told the jury. "In the case of OxyContin, one pill sold for \$50. The defendant knew that."



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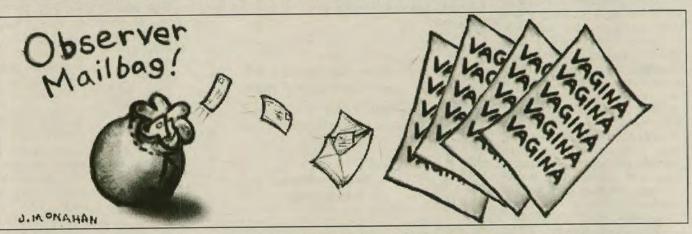
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# **'The Vagina Monologues' debate continues**

## Women imitating men is dubious

Thanks to Molly McShane for presenting the logic of feminism in all its glory. Guys immaturely make a big deal out of their private parts, so women should too. Men are crude and obnoxious, so women should be too.

Women imitating men is a dubious enterprise to begin with; but feminists seem not only to seek to imitate us, but imitate us at our very worst. It is as if they consider decency, class, kindness, compassion, sensitivity and dignity — those qualities that most separate women from men — to be awful shackles holding women down, keeping them from attaining true happiness.

Once women can be vulgar, indifferent (if not even hostile) toward babies and small helpless animals, loud and boisterous, drunk and promiscuous, mean to poor people and cripples and ambitious for power — in other words, like us men — then they will be free, they seem to think. It is a strange view.

McShane also seems to think our attitudes toward our private parts can either take the form of pride or shame. I think this is a false dichotomy. Not being ashamed of what God gave you does not have to mean doing a play about it. No one is asking you to be feel embarassed about what is between your legs; no one is asking you to tell everyone about it either.

We should be neither proud nor ashamed of what we have been given, reproductively or otherwise. Should I be proud of being tall? Should I be ashamed of being short? Should I be proud of dark hair? Should I be ashamed of being bald? Should I even be proud of doing something virtuous? No.

Jesus tells us when we do good, we are still only unprofitable servants, doing what we ought to do anyway. Hopefully everyone can think of an alternative to pride and shame when discussing themselves, or parts thereof — I think quiet is the best one.

## 'Monologues' promote awareness

In response to Sean Dudley's letter on Thursday, I would first like to ask Sean if he has actually seen or read "The Vagina Monologues?" Undoubtedly, the Eve Ensler production of "The Vagina Monologues" is a far cry from a masturbation camp and at no point does it promote "lesbian sexual encounters."

Instead, "The Vagina Monologues" portrays a diversity of experiences among women, across what are often portrayed as boundaries between women (some of these boundaries being nationality, race, class, age and, yes, sexual orientation). The common denominator in all of the monologues being, of course, vaginas.

I agree with Molly McShane's statement on Feb. 15 that "The Vagina Monologues" is about empowerment. The intent of "The Vagina Monologues" is to end the many forms of violence against women by reclaiming ownership of ourselves. The intent of "The Vagina Monologues" is not to promote any one lifestyle over another. If Sean claims that "The Vagina Monologues" promotes masturbation and lesbianism, then he must also claim that it encourages Bosnian soldiers to rape women with their rifles. Your standpoint, Sean, is unqualified and one-sided. The goal of "The Vagina Monologues" is to dispel the

myths about women and their vaginas, which Sean so graciously upheld in his letter — namely, that there is something fundamentally offensive and graphic about women and their vaginas. Because various forces of women's oppression have been justified through these essentialist standpoints, it is only logical for Eve Ensler to reclaim a seemingly essential characteristic of women, such as the vagina, as a source of empowerment.

"The Vagina Monologues" does not desensitize, rather, it offers a sense of respect and awareness about the reality and diversity of women's experiences. It is necessary to realize that dogmatic Catholicism does not encompass the reality and totality of women's experiences. And even if the group of students protesting "The Vagina Monologues" is not willing to realize the existence of life beyond Catholicism, I simply ask you to remember that Our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mother did, in fact, have a vagina. Perhaps Sean, you encountered the slogan for "The Vagina Monologues," Think Inside the Box, and applied it erroneously to function within a self-serving

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"How glorious it is — and also how painful — to be an exception."

> Alfred De Musset French writer

# OBSERVER VIEWPOINT

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# I gave up tact for Lent

So, I was sitting in CJ's Friday night, enjoying the best hamburger this side of the continental divide, and it struck me: Why would anyone pass up this glorious, seasoned, BBQ-sauceslathered, onion-

coated, mouthwatering, slab of beef in exchange for a square of cod

**John Litle** 

Frankly and potato chips? **Obnoxious** 

The answer for me is simple - way back in the late

first millennium, fishermen in Venice were starving, so the Mother Church, who's had an obligation to fishermen since the calling of Simon, stepped in and said, "Hey everyone, we're going to eat fish on Fridays, yeah, because, um, to make a sacrifice." Lots of things get justified that way in Catholicism. So it was written, so it was done.

The fishermen were happy, so the Church was happy. The people were feeling the pride of their ascetic sacrifice by eating fish (is it really so different from meat?) and so it passed on throughout the ages and gained some sort of dogmatic significance.

Excellent. That's all the reason I need to be ecstatic about a Church doctrine. It really upsets me when people complain that you should be able to eat

### meat on Fridays.

It upsets me even more when Notre Dame students complain that there is no meat in the dining halls on Friday's during Lent.

And let me tell you why. First, there is fish, and again, if you think about it, there's not much difference between meat and fish. In fact, I propose that the fish was never consulted in the whole "meat" classification system. I contend that most fish would consider themselves meat as well. That's not the point, however.

I can't stand all the whining that you aren't making a sacrifice if meat is not an option in the dining hall. This argument is complete bunk on two counts (and a third).

First off, here I am on a Friday, eating meat at CJ's. So you can get meat on a Friday, all you have to do is the following: Forgo 40s at four, get dressed, walk a quarter-mile to D6, get your car (if you have one), drive three miles to CJ's, order, wait and pay cash for your meal. That's not much of an effort at all, so first, it is a sacrifice because of the ease at which you could obtain meat as an alternative. Quit your whining.

The next reason this argument is bad is that as I discussed earlier, not eating meat on Friday's was never meant to

be a sacrifice in the first place. It was a Church bailout of a failing fishing industry (which only happened to be owned by the Bishops themselves) in the 900s. It was the earliest form of social-welfare, so who cares whether or not it is a sacrifice.

The last reason that sacrifice argument is out the door is that Notre Dame is a Catholic school, and when you decided to come here, you decided to agree to every single Catholic thing that is present on campus. If you don't like it, you're free to leave. In fact, we don't even want you here. This place is Catholic. If the University decided to persecute Jews, turn a blind eye to mass-murder or extort money from all the students promising a false salvation, you have no right to complain. After all, this place is Catholic, and you knew that when you got here.

I sometimes hear the argument that the university is ignoring the 15 per-cent minority of those on campus who are not Catholic. First, I defer to my argument that Notre Dame is a Catholic school. And secondly, let's be honest, since when has Notre Dame cared about minorities? If they can't be bothered to care about an ethnic minority or a sexual minority, what makes anyone think they'd care about a religious minority - especially through food

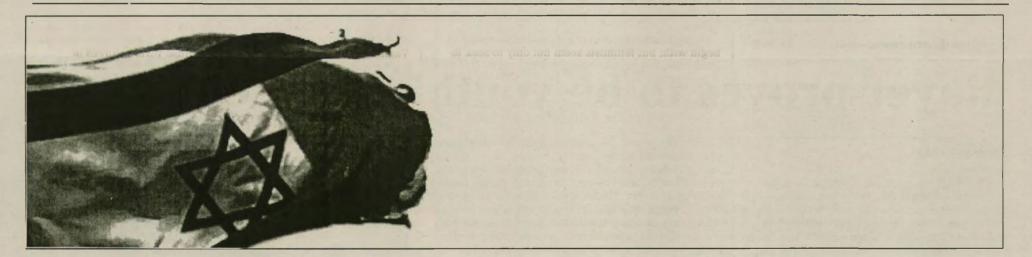
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The final argument people make is that it is economically feasible to provide meat to students on Fridays, even if 85 percent of students didn't eat the meat. This is totally bogus as well. A simple analysis of economics shows that at somewhere near \$8.80 a meal, for 14 meals a week, plus 220 flex points, (assuming the average student only uses about 10 meals a week and each flex point is worth about two and a half real dollars) that Food Services is running chronically low on money. Couple that with the recent rise in pop prices to \$1.25, and you can easily visualize the economic crisis that would be caused by a single tray of sliced turkey at the sandwich station.

In sum, Notre Dame is fully justified in enforcing meatless Fridays, just as it is justified in enforcing opposite-sexless dorms. Stop complaining that Notre Dame students — don't you know that you're sheep — fall in line like the rest.

John Litle is a junior MIS major who wants to let the community in on the fact that he's being sarcastic. His column appears every other Tuesday.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# **Respect Israel's own 'war on terror'**

Eighteen months ago, the idea that the United States must distance herself politically from Israel and accommodate the Palestinians may have been a legitimate policy option. Much has changed since that time.

official Palestinian state. With this intifada, however, Arafat has reverted to his terrorist roots and called into question any legitimacy he and his Palestinian Authority have ever had.

have released the wrath of the U.S. military on the Taliban and al-Qaeda and vowed to continue our campaign against terror wherever we see fit. We have been pushed to our limit. And Israel has been pushed to hers. She is not innocent, but her struggle for survival is not to be taken lightly. We fear another terrorist strike. Israel expects it. To paraphrase former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu: "There comes a time when you can no longer afford to search for the needle in the haystack. You must simply take out the havstack.' The debate over civil liberties and national security has drawn a great deal of attention in the United States over the past several months. As yet, we have no answers. Israel's position is much more dire, and the debate more heated. It is a situation with which she constantly struggles. Sharon and his government understand there will be no real security without peace, and no peace without justice. At the same time, like the United States, Israel makes no concessions. We will not negotiate with terrorists. Who are we to demand from Israel that which we will not do ourselves? That would be the ultimate hypocrisy, the ultimate abuse of our moral high ground.

In her Feb. 12 letter, "America can strongly influ-ence the Middle East," Rachel Smith attacks controversial Israeli counterinsurgency methods. True, Ariel Sharon has repeatedly employed overwhelming force and violated international laws. Smith is also correct in her assertion that "significant changes are called for on both sides." Israel is caught in the unfortunate position of defending her security and protecting her liberty, and has yet to find an effective method of accomplishing both goals. Despite Israel's extreme measures, however, the United States must not play into the hands of the Palestinians to the detriment of Israel

Smith paints a sympathetic portrait of Yasser Arafat, a man "trapped under house arrest," unable to lead his people to peace. In reality, Arafat has had numerous opportunities to implement a final peace agreement with Israel. Abandoning the talks at Camp David in the summer of 2000, he made clear to the world that his thirst for power trumps his desire for a lasting peace.

Over the course of the past decade, Arafat seemed to accomplish the daunting task of evolving from terrorist to statesman. He has held audiences with former President Clinton, won the Nobel Peace Prize and come within arm's length of presiding over an

The overwhelming number of Palestinian casual-ties, including women and children, cannot be pinned on Israel alone. The riots held by the Palestinians are designed to draw overwhelming response from Israel and sympathy from the international community. That sympathy is wearing thin.

The images of Palestinians championing the events of Sept. 11 were painful for most Americans to watch. The continuation of Palestinian suicide bombings is an overt slap in our face. Whatever common ground we may have had with the Palestinians is slipping away. By exhibiting popular support for terrorism, the Palestinian community has taken one more step toward the ominous network of "evil" our president has vowed to destroy

What right have we now to tell Sharon to sit down with Arafat and negotiate? Arafat has played this game too many times. If he is in control of the Palestinian combatants, let him order them to lay down arms. If he is not in control, as many believe to be the case, let him tell us exactly who is. Let him prove himself a statesman. Until then, do not let him continue to play us for fools.

The U.S. policy toward terror is based upon four basic tenets: Make no concessions, bring terrorists to justice, do not tolerate state-sponsorship of terror and protect our friends. In the wake of Sept. 11 we

Katie Thompson senior off-campus Feb. 13, 2002

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### **ALBUM REVIEW**

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# Beachwood misses goal of '60s laidback vibe

overall vibe deserves praise,

**Once We Were Trees misses** 

the mark in one key area that

made the records that the band

so obviously worships the clas-

sics they are today. On Once

We Were Trees Beachwood Sparks simply fails to deliver a

definitive set of great songs that

can be individually taken out-

Still, there are moments worth attention. The banjo-dri-ven "Old Manatee" is a gor-

geous tune that recalls an acoustic Neil Young.

"Confusion is Nothing New" and "The Goodnight Whistle"

stand as psychedelic-country's

answer to the Verve's break-through work on "Urban

Perhaps the best song on the album is the band's radical reworking of Sade's (yes, Sade)

"By Your Side." Although "By Your Side" reveals that Beachwood Sparks knows how

to deliver a great pop song, it

also illustrates that the band

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side the album-context.

### By SEAN McLAUGHLIN Scene Music Critic

In the grand tradition of Gram Parsons, the Flying Burrito Brothers, and the Byrds' "Sweetheart of the Rodeo," Los Angeles' Beachwood Sparks is a direct descendent of Calfornia's late '60s country-rock scene. Even singer/guitarist Chris Gunst's voice mirrors an

unapologetic melding of Roger McGuinn, David Crosby and Gram Parsons.

Once We Were Trees, recorded at J. Masic's Northampton studio, could easily be derided for abject hero-worship. Yet, the band's well-executed use of harmony, a melodic organ and slide guitars manages to create a perpetually spacious, relaxed sound that reflects the ideal lazy sunny afternoon. While the album's

**Once We Were Trees** Beachwood **Sparks** Sub Pop Records Rating 

### **ALBUM REVIEW**

# Mayer proves to be youthful and energetic

### **By LIAM FARRELL** Scene Music Critic

There is no doubt that there has been a significant rise in the number of singer/ songwriters releasing albums on major labels since David Gray released White Ladder state-side. Since that landmark album was released in the United States, artists such as Ryan Adams and Pete Yorn, although they did work before, have started receiving major record label funding and airplay. John Mayer, a 25year-old artist originally from Connecticut, definitively fits into this scene of musicians with his major label debut, Room for Squares.

It is obvious from both the title of the record and the packaging itself that Mayer is not the consummate "cool" musician — after all, the album is decorated with the Periodic Table. While listening to the album, it also becomes clear that these songs are not written by a bitter, cynical, tortured artist.

Most tracks have a sort of playful naivete about them that make Mayer more like the guy who stayed home form the prom and played his guitar than the lonely, isolated artist writing songs under the influence. Mayer is definitely a product of older (and much better) "nerd rock" pop music. Reaching back to artists that wore horn rimmed glasses long before Weezer even knew what a guitar was, Mayer writes songs with the type of cheesy pop sensibilities that Elvis Costello and the Attractions played so well. There have been the obvious and tired comparisons made to both Gray and Dave Matthews, which is clearly shown whenever Mayer opens his mouth and sings with a voice not really suited to what he looks like. But there is something about his music that makes it stand apart from

the rest of the singer/ songwriters currently making waves.

Mayer must have been pretty excited to get major label money, time, and studio musicians. The production on the album is pretty dense, and there are not just a few uses of overbearing organ and keyboards. Backup singers must not have been plentiful when he was still underground, and the enthusiasm of those sessions comes out in the album.

The album borders on the annoying for about 50 minutes, but what makes the album good is that it never pushes you over. The extremely cheesy "Your Body is a Wonderland" might make elitists turn off the stereo, but the strong amount of guilty pleasure involved in actually listening to a song that is filled with Everly Brothers-esque sexual innuendos is hilarious, and pretty fun.

That type of reaction stays pretty constant throughout the album; it may not be cool, but its enjoyable to hear a musician having such a good time and reveling in the fact that he's still young and has time not to be bitter.

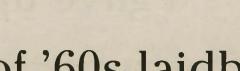


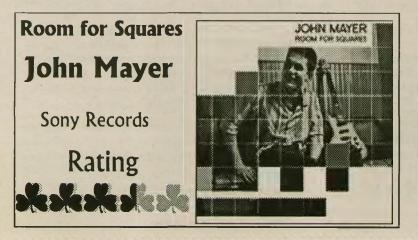
hoto courtesy of www.beachwoodsparks.com L.A.'s Beachwood Sparks tries to capture the country-rock feel of the '60s with Once We Were Trees.

may not know how to write one. Regardless, Once We Were Trees is worth a listen. As spring beckons on the horizon, it could be the standard Saturday afternoon album, a perfect soundtrack for the back porch, the barbecue and not a care in the world.

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The songs never really stray that far from talking about youthful problems anyway. Whether Mayer is saying something stupid on a date ("My Stupid Mouth") or is wishing

he was six again ("83"), adult territory is rarely breached. On songs such as "Love Song for No One" and "Not Myself," there is a different sort of songwriting, with more concerned and typical singer/songwriter lyrics. Still they fit into the album's main context.

The pace of the album rarely drops. "No Such Thing"

and "Why Georgia" set an excellent beginning, with tight grooves and great melodies. "My Stupid Mouth," one of the strongest tracks, follows suit, and "Your Body is a Wonderland" is annoying at first but reluctantly gets you to like it.

The middle section of the album gets bogged down occasionally in overproduction and a case of writer's block. "Neon" has decent lyrics but goes on for too long, "City Love" is a tired track and "83" is not really thrilling to listen to either.

The quality of the album picks up again with "3X5" and "Love Song For No One," where Mayer's assertion that "He's jaded/ I hate it" is hardly believable but the song stays great anyway.

Singer/songwriter John Mayer plays with youthful memories and cheerful arrangments in his premier effort, Room For Squares.

> The best tracks come at the end of the album, with "Not Myself" and "St. Patrick's Day." Both songs are sung effortlessly, and the songs have enjoyable melodies. There is also an increased maturity in the lyrics; in "Not Myself" Mayer says that his lover is his "saving grace," despite any outward appearance. In the latter track, Mayer is measuring his life in terms of holidays, and knows "we'll both be safe 'til St. Patrick's Day." All in all, a great way to end the album.

> How the album goes over is ultimately going be based on your mood when you listen to it. If you are angry about something, Mayer will probably only increase your hatred of your existence. The music is extraordinarily youthful and enthusiastic, both qualities that could easily turn off people who only enjoy listening to The Smiths, Nine Inch Nails or Sex Pistols.

> However, on those more sunny days, Room for Squares provides great background music, and is like reminiscing without remembering all your embarrassing moments. And in the end, isn't that better than actually going to your high school reunion?

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## **ALBUM REVIEW KMFDM** attempts fresh start with Attak

### **By MIKE SCHMUHL** Scene Music Critic

Since its decline in the mid '90s, industrial rock has found a way to survive through action movie soundtracks and the stereos of avid metal fans. KMFDM may be the embodiment of this trend.

KMFDM, one of the pioneers of industrial rock and electronic metal, started its career in the mid '80s. Originally from Germany, the group ventured to Chicago in the early '90s to appeal to the American masses. After a couple major successes, KMFDM disbanded in 1999 after the release of Adios.

Their first full album since the breakup, Attak attempts to renew the industrial sound KMFDM had mas-tered over their 15-year history. The first song, "Attak/Reload," gets the album off to a good start.

A heavy beat and electronic background effects pounds the listener's

ears, as female vocalist Sascha Konietzko adds a powerful chorus.

'Dirty" is a much darker song. The intense lyrics and the frightening vocals of lead signer Tim Skold parallel the scratchy beat and heavy guitar riffs.

"Urban Monkey Warfare" is a nice change from "Dirty." With a shallow beat, the group uses the song as a political outlet to sing about modern warfare: "Headed down the hard way/ Concrete Battleground/ Urban Monkey Warfare/ Sabotage Underground Camouflage."

The song "Save Me" gives the lis-tener a sample of KMFDM's metal rock talent. Relying on traditional guitar riffs and drums and bass, the band constructs a hard rock song that stands out from the rest of the album.

"Superhero" is the fastest song on the album with a scrambling beat and techno effects. Once again, the band molds opinion into its lyrics as they attack fame and celebrity: "You're a

After breaking up in 1999 after the release of Adios, KMFDM has returned with Attak, an attempt to return to their industrial/electronic rock success.

thing goes when you're a star."

Overall the album is a success. However, many of the songs sound alike and the album gets frustrating towards the end.

If you don't like industrial music, this album isn't for you. If you are a huge fan of industrial/techno rock, then this is a good album to add to the collection.

With their first album in awhile, KMFDM shows that they still have the skill to make great industrial rock. Whether they are trying to save a genre or just make great music again, they are off to a fresh start.

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### **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

# **Notre Dame's 'Dutch Treat'**

### Timmermans knows how to wait to showcase his talent for the Irish

**By JOE LICANDRO** Sports Writer

Good things come to those who wait.

No one knows this better than Notre Dame sophomore T o m

Timmermans. After sitout ting most of his freshman e a r behind future NBA first-round draft-pick



Troy Murphy and battling knee and ankle injuries during the early stages of this season, the Irish center is finally getting the opportunity to showcase his basketball skills on the court.

In Notre Dame's narrow three-point loss to Syracuse on Sunday, Timmermans grabbed a career-high six rebounds while limiting Syracuse's center Jeremy McNeil to only two points.

"It was hard to sit on the bench, but I never gave up.' said Timmermans. "Even when I did not play, I just wanted to improve. When I wanted to improve. was hurt this season, I did not get depressed or down on myself. I just kept plugging and working hard."

A native of Dierhuis, Netherlands, Timmermans started playing basketball at age 12 when his friends asked him to participate in a tournament in the local sports club.

"I was a soccer player and a speed skater,' said Timmermans. "One day, I participated in a basketball tournament at a local sports club and just really liked the sport. I was always tall and I grew six inches when I was 15, so basketball made sense.

As he grew older and improved, Timmermans participated in basketball tournaments all across Europe. In the summer before his junior year in high school, an American AAU basketball scout noticed his talent and offered him the chance to play at the Blue Ridge School in Virginia. Although leaving his family was a difficult decision, Timmermans dreamed of one day earning a college scholarship to play basketball.

"Of course it is tough to leave your family for a new country and a new culture," said Timmermans. "Language was not a problem though because I learned English in school. You have to set high goals for yourself" Although there has been an

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### **Tom Timmermans** forward

play. "European leagues are getting a lot better, but competition in the Netherlands is not great," said Timmermans. knew that playing basketball in the United States would be a real challenge."

During his senior year, Timmermans' talent caught the eye of several college coaches. Tennessee, Oregon and Pittsburgh all recruited him, but he decided to attend Notre Dame for its academic reputation.

Notre Dame is recognized as an excellent academic institution with alums all over the world," said Timmermans. "I really liked [former Irish head] coach [Matt] Doherty and felt com-fortable with the coaching staff at Notre Dame, also."

When Doherty decided to leave Notre Dame to coach at his alma mater North Carolina, Timmermans decided to stick with his commitment to Notre Dame. While other players might have entered Notre Dame with a negative attitude after a change. coaching Timmermans dedicated himself to impressing new head coach Mike Brey and his staff by demonstrating his strong work ethic in practice in the weight room.

Timmermans, who packed on 35 pounds of muscle onto his 6-foot-11 frame in the past year, is

quick to credit the coaching staff and his teammates with his improvement. When I came to Notre Dame, I was skinny. worked a lot with strength coach Tony

Rolinski to

improve my conditioning,' said "Playing Timmermans. against Troy Murphy, Ryan Humphrey and Harold Swanagan every day in practice helped me improve tremendously."

After overcoming injuries at the beginning of the season. Timmermans' hard work finally paid off when Brey put him into the regular playing roommates in Keough Hall rotation after Swanagan went down with an ankle injury in the middle of the season.

Since playing his first significant minutes of the season against Seton Hall on Jan. 27, he has seen a steady rise in his playing

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**Mike Brey** 

head coach

time over the last month. In last Sunday's g a m e against Syracuse, he played 21 minutes while remaining in the crucial stages of the game

for his defense. "I guess it's just Tom being really good. He's a great physical presence in there and he's bouncing around a lot more," Brey said about Timmermans increased playing time.

Timmer-mans' teammates know that his play will go a long way in determining Notre Dame's NCAA tournament hopes.

Humphrey attributes Timmermans' recent success to his great attitude and demeanor

"He's bigger, stronger, faster, and a better player all around," said Humphrey. "Tom has changed his mentality this season. He's very menacing. He knows he can help us and be a physical presence in the Big East.

Fellow center Harold Swanagan has also noticed Timmermans' dedication and hard work this season.

"He had a lot of injuries earlier in the year," added Swanagan. "His attitude is different. He's going to be a force to be reckoned with in the Big East over the next two years.

While Timmermans is all business on the court, his

and teammates don't always know what to think of him.

"I am really happy for Tom because I know how hard he has worked this season," said roommate David Fitzgibbon. "Tom is a hilarious off the

court. It's not every day that you get helicopter rides from a 7-foot guy."

While trying not to burst out laughing when asked about Timmermans' personality, Śwanagan added, "Tom is Tom. He

has a different set of rules than everyone else because he's from another country. He's funny. I can't really say what he is. I like him and I try to help him any way I can.'

Although Timmermans has reached new heights on the court, he has not stopped his legendary antics and practical jokes off the court.

"Tom is such a big goofball sometimes," said friend Joe Quaderer. "Tom has not let his success get to his head. You could not ask for a nicer guy to be around."

Timmermans' unselfish attitude and tough demeanor on the court will continue to be an important part of Notre Dame's hopes to make the NCAA tournament.

"I know my role on this team," said Timmermans. "We have plenty of guys who can score. My job is to play hard defense, set screens, and rebound. Our goal is to make the NCAA tournament again. We just have to keep playing hard.'

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### WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Irish snap losing streak, beat BYU

### Special to the Observer

The 18th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team snapped a three-match losing streak with a 5-2 victory over No. 51 Brigham Young Monday in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The Irish, whose previous three matches were against teams currently ranked in the national top 10, swept their way to the doubles point and won four of six singles matches to secure the win and improve to 5-5 this season. BYU fell to 2-5. Notre Dame will return to action Friday when it plays host to No. 47 Iowa at 3:30 p.m. in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The Irish won all three doubles matches to take a 1-0 lead. Sophomore Alicia Salas and freshman Sarah Jane Connelly finished first, notching an 8-5 victory at No. 3. Seniors Becky Varnum and Lindsey Green, ranked 29th nationally in doubles, then clinched the doubles point with an 8-6 win at No. 1.

Senior Nina Vaughan and junior Katie Cunha completed the sweep with a 9-8 (7-5) win at No. 2. Notre Dame has now won its last 18 matches in which it has captured the doubles point.

Notre Dame won the first four singles matches off the court to gain the victory. Connelly gave the Irish a 2-0 lead with a 6-1, 6-0 win at No. 6. At No. 1, Varnum won 6-3, 6-4 to set up the matchclinching victory, which came in the form of a 6-3, 6-2 win by Salas at No. 4. After the outcome was determined, Vaughan rallied from a 4-0 second-set deficit to win 6-4, 7-5 at No. 2 before Lu Oswald got BYU on the scoreboard with a 6-4, 6-3 victory at No.

In the final match on-court, Elizaveta Khoudoiarova saved a number of match points in rallying for a 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 1-0 (10-6) win at No. 6.

Salas' win improved her singles record to 10-0 this spring. She has won 13 straight singles matches, as well as 16 of her last 17 and holds a 12-0 mark in career dual singles action.

Salas has been particularly dominant at home, posting a combined 18-1 record (10-0 singles, 8-1 doubles) in the Eck Tennis Pavilion this season.

She lost her first career singles match at home as a freshman, but has since won all 15 singles matches in the Eck Tennis Pavilion or Courtney Tennis Center.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Ratay earns Big East honors

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Notre Dame junior guard Alicia Ratay has been selected as a co-recipient of the Big East Conference Player of the Week

award, the l e a g u e o f f i c e announced Monday. It is the first player-ofthe-week award of R a t a y's

award of Ratay's **Ratay** three-year Irish career, although

Irish career, although she was a six-time Big East Rookie of the Week during the 1999-2000 season. She shared this week's honor with Connecticut guard Diana Taurasi. Ratay averaged 19.5 points and nine rebounds per game last week, shooting 58.3 percent from the field (14-of-24) as No. 23 Notre Dame extending its winning streak to a season-high seven games with wins over St. John's and Rutgers.

Ratay notched her first double-double of the season (and the fourth of her career) Wednesday against SJU, finishing with 14 points and a season-best 10 rebounds.

She topped that performance on Saturday night at Rutgers, scoring a seasonhigh 25 points on 10-of-15 shooting in a 57-52 win over the Scarlet Knights. Ratay tallied 16 of her points in the second half, including 10 in a span of 3:21 which helped the Irish claim their third victory in the last four visits to Rutgers.

For the season, Ratay ranks ninth in the Big East in scoring at 13.9 points per game, and she leads the conference with a .867 free throw percentage.

She also stands 11th on Notre Dame's career scoring list with 1,246 points, having passed Mary Beth Schueth (1,233 from 1981-85) with her 25-point night at Rutgers.

Notre Dame (17-7, 11-2 Big East) will look to continue its recent success Tuesday when it plays host to West Virginia in a 7 p.m. contest at the Joyce Center. The Irish currently own the nation's longest active home winning streak, and the 10th-longest string in NCAA history at 50 games.

## **Belles**

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moving on in the tournament. "It has to be a team offert"

"It has to be a team effort," said Smith. "That's what helped us so much on Saturday. We had some people coming off the bench and doing some great, great things. We need that. Whoever starts for us, it doesn't matter, it's the whole team with people coming off the bench."

Linkous is confidant and determined to make that victory happen.

"We have a very positive outlook," said Linkous. "We're already talking about having practice on Wednesday. So we know we won't have practice on Wednesday if we don't win [today]. So it's a do-or-die situation."

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### **Men's Track and Field**

# Freshmen have solid showing in conference meet

### **By DAVE COOK** Sports Writer

In most college sports, it is usually a senior who makes the biggest impact on the

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team. Basketball has Ryan Humphrey. Football has Anthony Weaver. But for the Notre Dame

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years at Notre

men's track and field team it was the freshmen who made perhaps the biggest impact in

this past weekend's Big East Conference meet.

Freshmen Dwight Ellick, Selim Nurudeen, Eric Morrison and Chris Staron combined for a total of 27 of Notre Dame's 101.75 points to lead the Irish to a third place finish at the Big East Conference meet.

Sprinter Ellick had probably the most impressive performance of the freshmen, taking third place in both the 200meter dash and the 60-meter dash.

"Dwight Ellick was ranked third, got third. We got

points wherever we could get them," said head coach Joe Piane. "I felt that

I did pretty good. I went through a

rough

atmosphere. I wasn't worried about being a freshman or anything like that. I have three more years to get first," said Ellick

Ellick has been making consistent improvement so far this season. In the 60-meter dash, he has taken first in a dual meet against Michigan State and fourth at the Meyo Invitational.

'I was right in the area where I was expecting myself to be. I have areas to improve, so I come back, practice, and just get stronger and better," said Ellick.

Nurudeen and Morrison were also in top form this weekend. Nurudeen took third in the 60-meter hurdles and Morrison took fifth in the 800meter run and was on the eighth place 4x800-meter relay team.

Morrison took seventh in the preliminaries of the 800, then was able to improve in the finals, where the times were a little bit slower than he is used

> to. "The time itself was slow, only because everyone needed a new set of kick returns [from the preliminary race]. In the last 100 meters [in the

800] the guy steps on the rail, and we got helped there," said Piane.

performances was Staron in Staron in previous meets.

The only victories for the Irish in the Big East meet came from senior Ryan Shay who won both the 3,000-meter run and the 5,000-meter run. Shay did not see the strongest competition on the weekend, as he won the 3,000 by three seconds and the 5,000 by more than four seconds.

Classmate Luke Watson did not have the weekend he wanted to have.

"It wasn't a bad weekend for me, but it wasn't good either. I think I could have done better in both events [the 3000-meter and the mile]. Primarily on execution and strategy, because in Big East races in distance races its all about strategy. I didn't execute as well as I could have," said Watson.

Watson still took second in the 3000 behind Shay and third in the mile run, .04 seconds behind second place Ryan Hayden of Villanova

Taking first place at the meet was Connecticut, with Villanova finishing in second. Defending champion Georgetown finished a disappointing fourth place.

"I think the men were probably disappointed [with the third-place finish]. We scored almost everywhere where we could," said Piane.

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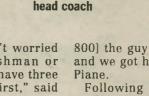
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**Joe Piane** 

Following up the freshman

the high jump. Staron, whose best jump this year had been 6 feet, 4 inches going into the Big East meet, jumped 6-7 en route to a third place finish. He out jumped senior Quill Redwine who had been consistently finishing in front of

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## ND SOFTBALL No. 14 Irish start rough, finish smooth at Pepsi Classic

### By MATT LOZAR Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball overcame a rough start to the weekend and won three of its five games at the Arizona Pepsi Classic at the University of Arizona during the weekend.

On Friday, the No. 14 Irish started their season against No. 1 Arizona, led by senior pitcher Jennie Finch. Behind her strong pitching, the Wildcats capitalized on eight Irish walks to win the game 3-0.

"I think the game was [good for us] so we could see where we were right from the start," said junior shortstop Andria Bledsoe. "We were able to measure ourselves against the best and learn a lot."

The Wildcats brought a 48game home winning streak into the game and Finch won her 45th consecutive game.

After that game, the Irish took on Auburn, who at 9-0 was off to its best start in school history. Two first inning runs put the Tigers ahead early, but the Irish would not yield another run for the rest of the game.

In the fifth, pinch runner Kas Hoag scored on an infield hit from second base with a perfect slide to cut the lead in half. Then, Andrea Loman's homerun on a 0-2 pitch tied the game at two in the bottom of the sixth.

Freshman pitcher Steffany Stenglein got out of a jam in the top of the 10th with runners on first and second with no outs,

enabling the Irish to win the game in the bottom of the inning. Megan Ciolli's sacrifice fly to left scored Alexis Madrid to give the Irish the 3-2 victory.

Notre Dame could not carry over that momentum to Saturday's game against Louisville. The Cardinals went up 1-0 on Melissa Jacobo's fourth inning homerun, but the Irish tied the game on Bledsoe's RBI single that scored Loman from third.

Freshman Steffany Stenglein relieved fellow freshman Carrie Wisen in the top of the seventh and yielded three runs as the Irish lost 4-1. Those freshmen pitched all but one inning over the weekend and gained some valuable experience.

"They [Stenglein and Wisen] did a tremendous job this weekend for us," said Bledsoe. "It is a tough thing to come into a great program and excel right away. They have one of the best defenses in the nation and need to learn how to use it.'

The Observer SPORTS

However, the Irish made a comeback. They scored two runs on errant throws to get within one. The comeback fell short when Jenny Kreich was thrown out at third trying to advance on a wild throw.

That afternoon, the Irish offense came together against New Mexico State. Stenglein started the game and gave up three runs before she was pulled after getting only one out. Wisen relieved her to keep the Irish in the game by giving up four runs in six and two-third innings

The Irish offense got started in the fourth by exploding for five runs. Lisa Mattison drove in

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Bledsoe and Jarrah Myers to get the lead down to two. Then two errors by the Aztec shortstop enabled the Irish to take a 5-4 lead.

Notre Dame added one more in the top of the fifth and New Mexico State came back with three in the bottom of the sixth to take a 7-6 lead. Liz Hartmann drove in Myers on a 1-2 pitch to bring the Irish even. Then, in the eighth, Myers doubled home Loman to give the Irish the winning run and the 8-7 victory.

Junior Jessica Sharron pitched the bottom of the eighth to get the

save for Wisen (1-1).

The Irish jumped out to the early lead against Southern Florida. Loman brought Kriech home with a single in the first and the Irish scored two unearned runs in the third to take a 3-0 lead.

South Florida scored one in the sixth and two in the seventh, but could not get anymore giving the Irish the 5-3 victory. Stenglein (2-1) got the victory with Wisen picking up the save.

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### ICE HOCKEY

# Americans feel at home during 8-1 victory

#### Associated Press

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah Maybe there is something to this home ice advantage.

Brett Hull got the Americans going with a goal, then set up John LeClair for two more quick goals as the United States — off to its best start in Olympic hockey since 1980 — overpowered Belarus 8-1 on Monday.

The United States went 2-0-1, tying Russia 2-2, to win its round-robin pool and all but assured itself of a favorable quarterfinal match-up Wednesday against Germany. The Americans are 19-0-3 in their last 22 Olympic games on home ice since 1932.

"We feel we can beat any team in this town," U.S. forward Jeremy Roenick said. "We dominated defensively in the first three games. We have a lot more to do in the next three games."

Nearly all the players the United States had in Nagano in 1998 are back in Salt Lake City. Clearly, though, this is not the same U.S. Olympic hockey team, as the Americans have outscored their first three opponents 16-3.

"The pucks are really going in for us," Chris Chelios said.

The Americans, playing with the confidence, rhythm and consistency they lacked during that dismal 1-3 performance in Nagano remembered most for their chairbreaking tantrum, haven't been unbeaten through three games this deep into an Olympics since the Miracle on Ice of 1980.

That Herb Brooks coached both teams does not seem a coincidence. Chelios credits Brooks with establishing a motivational, team-is-everything theme after the players arrived in Salt Lake City last week, dead-tired from a relentless pre-Olympics NHL schedule.

"We've got confidence and momentum," said Chelios, who at 40 is the oldest player on the U.S. team. "We never got any momentum going in Nagano, never got anything started and we struggled throughout. Nobody had any confidence going into the (elimination) game against the Czechs, and it was because nobody had any goals."

Not a problem in Salt Lake City. The only team that has played better so far is Sweden, which has defeated defending gold medalist the Czech Republic and Canada.

Chelios also said Brooks encouraged considerable input from the players — an avenue that led Brooks to reunite former Dallas Stars teammates Mike Modano and Brett Hull on a line with LeClair during Saturday's tie with Russia.

Hull responded by scoring the tying goal with 41/2 minutes left in that game, just the kind of goal he has scored so often in Stanley Cup playoff games.

Then, after journeyman Belarus goalie Andrei Mezin shut out the United States in the first period Monday, Hull got the U.S. offense rolling with a slap-shot goal from the high slot in the opening minute of the second period.



American Brett Hull positions himself in front of goalie Andrei Mezin during an American victory on Monday.

### FREESTYLE SKIING

# Skiier from down under comes out on top



### Associated Press

PARK CITY, Utah Guess what, mate? There's a surprising new powerhouse at the Winter Olympics.

It's Australia, the sunny land of cricket, rugby and swimming, which had never won a gold medal in the Winter Games before this year. Suddenly, they have two in three days.

Freestyle aerialist Alisa Camplin joined speedskater Steven Bradbury as the latest golden child from Down Under. second-best aerialist in her country, behind gold-medal favorite Jacqui Cooper, who went home after hurting her knee in training last week.

Camplin's biography offers a glimpse of what many Aussies have to go through to make the Winter Games.

She's an ex-gymnast. She used to train in a leach-infested lake near Melbourne, the best facility the Aussies had for their underfunded sport. She had to sell her car to make ends meet this year.

Oh, she's also not a very good skier. She didn't learn to ski

She didn't know they had come to America until the end of her second jump.

Turns out, that was only her second-biggest surprise of the day.

"As soon as I landed my second jump, I thought, 'I feel really bad because nobody's here," she said. "Then I heard my sister screaming. I said, 'Oh, my party friend is here!" Camplin could have been the

first Aussie to win winter gold. were it not for Bradbury's stunning victory in the 1,000meter speedskating finals Saturday night. But really, she said, Bradbury's victory made things easier on her. "When he came through, it almost pleased me that I didn't have to go out and do this," she said. "I knew that was a big thing my nation was trying to chase. When Steven did it, I was like, 'Good, I don't have the weight of the nation on my shoulders."

OLIVIER MORIN/AFP

Australian Alisa Camplin took home Australia's second gold medal ever in freestyle skiing on Monday.

She won Monday, giving the Aussies one more gold than the athletes from the winter wonderland of Austria, and as many as Canada.

"That's awesome," Camplin said. "We're a summer country, a sunny country. But this is amazing. It will set a great standard for Australian Olympians. Hopefully, there are some people in Australia that actually see now that winter sports are something that they can pursue."

Joining Camplin on the podium were a pair of Canadians. Veronica Brenner took silver and Deidra Dionne won bronze.

The day, however, belonged to the Aussies and their flamboyant gold medalist, a 27year-old accounts manager who took a hiatus from her job at IBM to make the rounds on the skiing tour.

She was only considered the

until she was 19. She trampled her victory flowers because she fell on her trip down the mountain to the winner's news conference.

"Skiing in Australia isn't what it's like in North America," she said. "It's a short, action-packed season, and we don't all get down the mountain as gracefully as they do over here. You see a lot of football teams out there. It's a little crazy."

Camplin's victory brought out the old cheer — "Aussie, Aussie, Aussie! Oi, Oi. Oi!" from a strong Aussie contingent more used to making noise near the swimming pool, not on the mountain.

The crowd included Camplin's parents and her sister, Regina, all of whom she told to stay home for the Olympics because it cost too much and she didn't want the distractions. Camplin landed a pair of triple-twisting, double backflip jumps — the most popular trick among the 12 finalists.

Only two women tried triple flips. One was Evelyn Leu of Switzerland, who set the world record in qualifying, but finished 11th in the finals, landing hard on both her attempts and somersaulting down the mountain.

"It wasn't as I had imagined," Leu said. "The whole week was great, except the last day." in behind you. If you are what

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## Lasorda

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some of the most important things in life.

"I come here tonight, not to hear my voice, but to deliver a message, and the message is to the youngsters to love your parents and to do everything you can to make them proud of you," Lasorda said.

A longtime friend of Mainieri, Lasorda has also developed a close relation-

ship with Notre Dame during the past year, including giving a speech the at Tennessee pep rally.

"I saw that baseball team filing in here earlier, and I was out there working with

them today," Lasorda said. "And I have never seen a bunch of young baseball players who were more polite than those fellows. That's a tribute to the parents, No. 1. And, No. 2. that's a tribute to [Paul Mainieri] because he is ... without a doubt one of the finest college coaches in this entire country.

While much of the speech focused on baseball, Lasorda stressed the importance of getting an education and taking advantage of opportunities in life

"You young men, you players,

- that's why you're here," Lasorda commented. "You're fortunate enough to play sports, but get an education, because that's why you come here."

you come here for an education

The coach also emphasized the importance of doing everything in life to the best of one's abilities.

"When you get up in the morning and look in the mirror, there's going to people two people you cannot fool: God and yourself," he stated. "And you're going to say one of two things to

any regrets because you're

doing what you're supposed to

As he concluded, Lasorda's

admiration for the University

showed through with some of

his closing statements to the

team. "When you go out there to

play, play the game for the

name on the front of the jersey and not on the back," Lasorda said. "Represent this team

because it's the greatest insti-

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play, play your heart out," Lasorda said. "Wear that uni-

form with pride, dignity and character, and you'll never regret it.'

The evening was held to generate excitement about the Irish baseball team and its upcoming season. Everyone

who bought tickets to the function also received season tickets for the 2002 baseball season.

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who I finished right behind. When I have someone like her pushing me at practice, it helps you carry that strategy to the meet," said Gunn. "She had the race of her

life. When I looked up at the scoreboard and saw that she got fourth, I went crazy. That was huge. That was how we won the meet," said Grow.

Head coach Joe Piane recognized how important Gunn's race was over the weekend, also. "One sur-

prise was Tiffany

points going into the race. Fortunately for the Irish, Georgetown got second and Notre Dame got third, which gave the Irish the two-point

and Georgetown had 102

"If we ended up third, we couldn't lose. We were rooting for our ladies to be at least third, and Seton Hall to win, which is exactly what happened," said Piane.

We were very confident going into the race. We thought we had to beat Georgetown to win, so it came as a surprise that we had

"One surprise was Tiffany Gunn. What a the help that was. Nobody anticipated that. She ended up getting five

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we were hoping for one," said Piane.

The Irish were able to clinch the Big East title without any individual victories, showing the depth of the women's squad this year.

'I don't think I've ever heard of anyone winning a meet of that caliber and not winning a single event. We scored in 15 events, and that shows a lot of depth," said Piane.

The winner of the meet came down to the mile relay, the last race of the day.

Notre Dame had 106 points

feet, 5 inches took second place, and she also took sixth place in the triple jump. This victory marked Notre Dame's first victory in the indoor conference meet, and the coaches were named Coaches of the Year for indoor track and field.

"They were great. It was wonderful," said Piane.

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# **CLUB SPORTS** JPW doesn't stop Irish from gripping No. 2

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Second place for the women at the Purdue Golden Grips Invitational was a stunning accomplishment, as the JPW depleted gymnastics squad was missing several members. Highlights included Caitlin O'Brien's 9.0 first place on the Vault, and the team's domination on the Bars, as O'Brien took second, Katie Bonchonsky third, Mary Blazwicz fourth and Susan Jennings fifth in a strong 13 team field.

On the men's side, only two Irish were able to attend. James DiStefano performed on rings, parallel bar and vault, while Pete Blouin entered rings, floor

and vault, but the Irish were out of the scoring. The club will compete next weekend at Indiana's Big Red Invitational.

### Women's water polo

Playing before family and friends during JPW, the Irish dominated their first conference tournament of the season. With netminder Brigette Alge and her defense holding opponents to 12 goals in three games, the Irish exploded on attack. Seniors Lauren Kuzniar and Liz Parolin splashed home 12 and nine goals each, while Allison Gienko and Margo Klosterman chipped in with five goals apiece and Jacqee Aragon ripped the nets for three more. The Irish opened

with a 19-7 pounding of Western Michigan, followed by two onesided victories over Grand Valley, 15-2, and Bowling Green, 21-3. The scheduled fourth game with Xavier was officially declared a forfeit as the Irish posted a 4-0 record for the tournament.

### Men's volleyball

The Irish netters took three of four contests in the Midwest Ten Conference Qualifier this weekend, including two stunners over nationally ranked teams, at host Iowa. In the tournament opener, the Irish edged Northern Illinois 25-21, 19-25, 15-13. In the second round the Irish squared off against Wisconsn-Whitewater, undefeated in conference play and ranked 14th nationally. The Irish dropped a 25-23 first game before rallying to win 25-17, 16-14. Next up was No. 20 Ball State, who also fell to the Irish 25-19, 22-25, 15-9. With their roster also reduced by JPW, fatigue finally caught up with the Irish, as they dropped the finale to Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 27-25, 25-22.

Wish so many players missing, newcomers Dan Parziale and Nick Abrams stepped up to fill voids at middle hitter and Libero, while Mike Giampa played well out of his normal position at outside hitter. Adam Schreier's passing complemented Phil Autrey, who was able to direct an attack with many new faces. Veterans Jim Lowder Rob Smith, and Greg Silber anchored the team and provided some needed stability.

### Ultimate

Cincinnati's Arctic Vogue may prove to be the coming out party for the men's squad of the Ultimate club, as they reached the quarterfinals before falling to Indiana 13-7. The Irish opened with a convincing 13-7 victory over Northwestern and followed up with a close win over Hope College, 12-10. Victories over Cilncinnati, 11-9, and a club team, 13-10 placed the team in the quarters. Stanford Hall's sophomore tandem of Sean O'Neill and Jess Moore played well all weekend on both sides of the disc, as the Irish continue to build team depth.

### Equestrian

The equestrians competed at Purdue this weekend in separate Saturday and Sunday meets. On Sunday, the Irish' Molly Kopacz earned high point rider honors as she took first in Intermediate Flats and Intermediate Fences. Many riders had outstanding performances as Quin Swiney captured first in novice fences, and Meganne Hoffman and Jill Godbout placed second in open fences and novice fences respectively. Callie Willis earned third in novice flats as did Erin advanced Hughes in walk/trot/canter. Godbout's fourth in intermediate flats was complemented by Mary Barter and and Kelly Gentine tying for sixth in the event. Barter also placed fourth in open fences.

In Saturday's meet, Quin Swiney took second in both novice flat and novice fences, while Meganne Hoffman took third in open fences and fifth in open flat to pace the Irish. Kristen Jones and Barter placed fifth, sixth in open fences and Kopacz and Godbout took third and second in intermediate and novice fences respectively.

### Ski

Twenty-four schools, including national powerhouses St. Olaf, Thomas, Wisconsin, St. Minnesota, Northern Michigan, Michigan Tech and Marquette, faced off at the Regional qualifiers at Marquette, Mich. In Saturday's slalom, the Irish men captured 11th place, as the four fasted skilers earn points for their team. Joe Payne led the Irish with a 32nd place showing,

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followed closely in order by Dan Block, Wes Jacobs and Eric Hanson. Jason Leucht and Suthee Wiri narrowly missed the top four, while Marc Pribacz, who had a first place run at Divisionals, was unable to finish his first run on the hard-packed

snow.

The women's squad, missing start Molly Munsterer to JPW, finished 10th as Danielle Clements finished first on the sqad in 11th place. Also garnering points for the women were Ellen Block, Lauren Dacey, and Leslie Schmidt. Anna Maria hernandez and Caitlin Wolf both finished, but out of scoring.

In the giant slalom on Sunday, both squads finished 11th. Block, Payne, Leucht and Jacobs finished in the scoring for the men, while Clements Block, Dacey and Schmidt gained points for the women.

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### The Observer SPORTS

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Irish ready to top Mountaineers

### By KATIE McVOY Associate Sports Editor

At 8 p.m. on Saturday things were questionable for the Irish. On a court where they have a bad history without their go-to player, the Irish were unsure how they would play against the Rutgers Scarlet Knights.

However, tonight as the Irish take their home court to face off against the West Virginia Mountaineers, the mood will be more settled.

After winning one game without leading scorer Jackie Batteast, it looks as if an Irish team that was unstable with Batteast early in the season has progressed enough that it can bring home the win even without her.

"I think the rest of the team, everybody's doing a little more," said head coach M u f f e t McGraw. "... I think they all want to do well."

Batteast,

who will be out again on Tuesday due to a partially torn knee ligament, may find it difficult to watch from the sidelines, but she's confident in her teammates' abilities to carry the team.

"They're capable of [stepping up] and now people actually have to," Batteast said, speaking to the press for the first time since her injury. "People did. I'm glad that they showed that they can play."

Freshman Katy Flecky will again be starting in Batteast's usual spot, after having a solid game on Saturday with four rebounds and two buckets. She teamed up with fellow freshman Teresa Borton in a solid offensive and defensive effort and McGraw hopes to see that combination again tonight.

"I really thought [Flecky] played well," McGraw said. "She and Teresa played so well together, they're going to play a lot together."

Freshman Allison Bustamante may also get to see some more playing time in the wake of the Irish injuries. With junior point guard Jeneka Joyce sidelined again because of an Achilles' tendon injury, Bustamante may see some extra time at point guard, a position she started in against Seton Hall two weeks ago

ago. "Like Coach said, it's a great opportunity for a bunch of people to step up and show what they can do,"

Bustamante

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tteast and Ericka Haney, Notre Dame has a solid front to present to West Virginia. Ratay, who was named Big East coplayer of the week, scored a season-high 25 points against Rutgers on Saturday, and Haney has scored in the double figures in four games since mid-

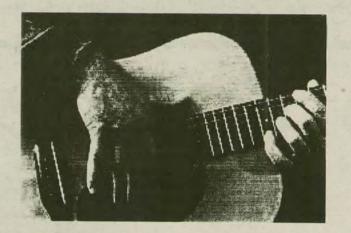
January. "I think [Ratay] just wants to win," McGraw said. "She's trying to do it any way she can and she's trying to contribute any way she can ... [Haney's] playing great. Ever since Connecticut, she's shooting well. She's scoring."

The Irish will have to face off against a Mountaineer team that presents several problems for them offensively. West Virginia (14-10, 6-7) can hit shots from the outside and drive inside, which will trouble a Notre Dame transition defense that struggled against Rutgers late.

"They problems they present for us defensively is really quickness on the perimeter ... it's a match-up problem for us," McGraw said. "On the inside I think Brandi Batch is a really big match-up problem for us." Tip-off is at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

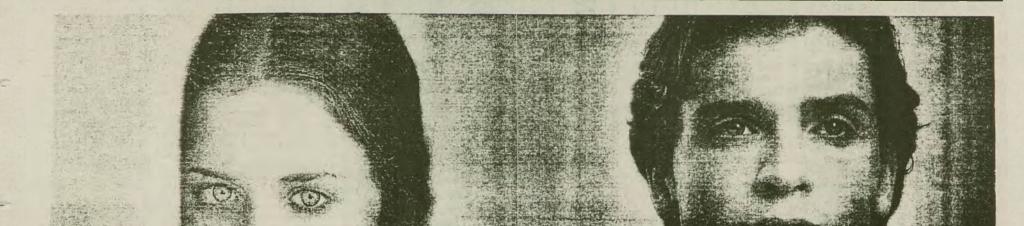
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# Lasorda pleases crowd

### ◆ Former Dodgers coach speaks at baseball dinner

By CHRIS FEDERICO Assistant Sports Editor

Former Los Angeles Dodgers head coach Tommy Lasorda unofficially opened the 2002 Irish baseball season with a speech to Irish players and fans in the Joyce Center Monday night.

Notre Dame's season does not begin until Friday but the "ballpark style" dinner gave Notre Dame fans a chance to see the team before it travels to New Orleans to face Missouri in the first game of the season.

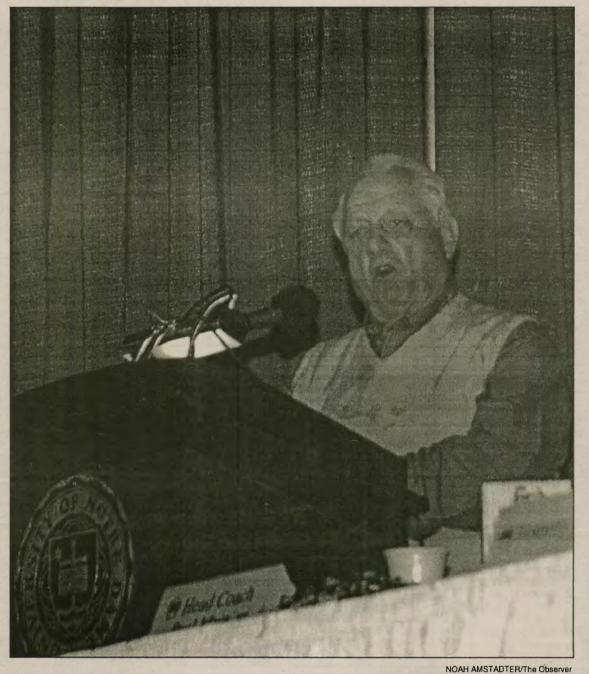
Lasorda cast a light-hearted tone on the evening, telling jokes about growing up Catholic and recalling humorous stories from his many years in baseball with the Dodgers.

The legendary coach and Olympic gold medal winner entertained the crowd of fans with numerous stories about baseball, Italians and Catholics before moving on to the more serious part of his speech.

"I've been to a lot of affairs throughout these great United States and I love to meet people because when I leave I always feel so much richer, and I know when I leave here I will feel so much richer," Lasorda said.

Lasorda spoke to many of the young people in the audience about what he considered

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Hall of Fame coach Tommy Lasorda unofficially kicked off the 2002 baseball season by addressing players and fans in the Joyce Center on Monday night.

# Grow leads Irish to Big East title

# Belles

SMC BASKETBALL

# looking for upset

### By JOE HETTLER Sports Writer

For three Saint Mary's seniors, Elizabeth Linkous, Anne Blair and Jamie Dineen, Saturday's 66-53 upset victory over Kalamazoo was a memorable way to finish out their careers at home.

Now they want more.

"On Thursday we got together, and we were talking after practice about how we want to make this last as long as we can," said Linkous. "With the bracket we're in the tournament, the only team we haven't beaten in our bracket is Adrian. So if we win this game we feel we can pretty much win the rest of them."

No. 3-seeded Adrian has beaten the sixth-seeded Belles twice this season by scores of 81-76 and 70-57. Saint Mary's hopes to break that streak in the first round of the MIAA tournament.

The last time these two teams faced each other was less than a week ago at home.

Linkous believes that Adrian has the pressure on them to win because it is the higher seeded team, and because it has already beaten Saint Mary's twice this year.

"Today we talked about how hard it is for their mentality coming into the game playing us," said Linkous. "They have to think they have to beat us three times in a row, and it's hard to beat someone three times in a row. So we're pretty much thinking upset."

For that upset to happen, the Belles must rebound better against Adrian.

Rebounding has been a consistent problem all year for the Belles, and head coach Suzanne Smith believes that aspect of the game is the key to the Belles advancing to the second round. "They're a very good transi-tion team, they really push the ball and we definitely have to do a better job of rebounding,' said Smith. Saint Mary's will also have to shut down the league's fourth leading scorer, Ra'Sheida Edwards, who averages 13.1 points per game.

By DAVE COOK

these girls give it there all for

Grow's success on the track

ack "I wish I would have won

Sports Writer

Track and field is an individual sport. From start to finish, the individual is in total control of the outcome of the race.

But for senior sprinter Liz Grow, teamwork is most important.

It is what won the Big East Conference meet for the Irish this past weekend.

"This is my team, I've done it for four years, I love it. I love it so much to see how far we've come, and to watch this team. It's unbelievable," said Grow.

Freshman hurdler Tiffany Gunn feels the impact that Grow has on this team this year.

"She's awesome. She's one of those captains where if you're down, she'll pat you on your back. But if you're not giving your 100 percent she'll chew you out. She's one of those people that if you're not performing your best, she's not going to be happy. She makes sure that I'm giving it my all, she leads by example," said Gunn. at the Big East Conference championship was equally important as her impact on the team.

Grow was in three events totaling five races on the weekend en route to setting a school record in the 500meter and scoring 15 points for the Irish.

"[Grow] is probably the best pick for captain that [sprints] coach [John] Millar has," said Gunn.

Grow took second in the 500 and eighth in the 200, and was on the mile relay team that took third place.

the 500. I really wanted those two points. I scored eight points where I would have scored 10 if I won," said Grow.

Gunn was probably the biggest surprise of the meet. A freshman 60-meter hurdler who was ranked eighth going into the meet, Gunn snuck into the finals and took a fourth place finish for the Irish.

"I've kept improving each weekend. It helps practicing alongside Tameisha King,

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If the Belles can shut down Edwards and play much like they did on Saturday, they will have a very good chance of

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